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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS Elisabeth A. Shumaker **Clerk of Court** FOR THE TENTH CIRCUIT

PAMELA ANN KRIEL,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

KEITH JUDKINS, Individually; DAN A. ERWIN, Individually; CINDY KIRBY, Individually and as Clerk of the District Court of the Twenty-Third Judicial District within and for Lincoln County Oklahoma; PAUL M. VASSAR,

No. 10-6041 (D.C. No. 5:10-CV-00068-D) (W.D. Okla.)

Defendants - Appellees.

ORDER

Before TACHA, MURPHY, and HARTZ, Circuit Judges.

This court lacks jurisdiction over this appeal.

The appellant, Ms. Kriel, is appealing from the district court's order remanding a case to state court, based on lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Remands that are based upon lack of subject matter jurisdiction or a defect in the removal procedure are not appealable. See 28 U.S.C. § 1447 (d); Quackenbush v. Allstate Ins. Co., 517 U.S. 706, 712 (1996). See also Powerex Corp v. Reliant

Energy Services, Inc., 551 U.S. 224, 234 (2007) ("We hold that when, as here, the District Court relied upon a ground that is colorably characterized as subject-matter jurisdiction, appellate review is barred by § 1447 (d).") The exceptions found in 28 U.S.C. § 1443 are inapplicable here. Under § 1443 (1), the rights protected must arise under federal laws which specifically protect civil rights and are cast in terms of racial equality. Miller v. Lambeth, 443 F. 3d 757, 761-62 (10th Cir. 2006). The exception provided by § 1443 (2) is also inapplicable because Ms. Kriel does not allege that "[s]he has been a federal officer or agent, [or] that [s]he has been acting with or for one." Miller at 761.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

Entered for the Court, ELISABETH SHUMAKER, Clerk of Court

by:

Christine Van Coney Counsel to the Clerk

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